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Plague increasing at Shuitung.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
Washington, D. C., February 20, 1902.

SIR: I have the honor to inform you that this Department is in receipt of a telegram dated the 16th instant, from the consul of the United States at Canton, China, which reads as follows: "Plague increasing Shuitung, over 60 deaths Yeungkong. Canton free."

Respectfully,

JOHN HAY,
Secretary of State.

HON. SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

Cholera at Canton—A death from the disease at Hongkong.

[Cablegram.]

HONGKONG, CHINA, March 6, 1902.

WYMAN, Washington, D. C.: Cholera is now present at Canton. There has been a death from cholera at Hongkong. * * *.—KERR.

CUBA.

Reports from Cienfuegos, Casilda, and Santa Cruz del Sur.

CIENFUEGOS, CUBA, February 25, 1902.

SIR: Through the chief quarantine officer for the island of Cuba, I have the honor to transmit the following report for the district under my command for the week ended February 22, 1902:

Thirteen deaths have occurred in this city; of these, 2 occurred in the civil hospital. No contagious diseases reported in this city. Causes of death as follows: Meningitis, 2; atrepsia, 2; sclerosis, arterial, 2; malarial fever, 2; gastritis, 1; congenital debility, 1; pernicious fever, 1; tuberculosis, 1; insufficiency, mitral, 1. Death rate per 1,000 inhabitants, 16.94. Eight vessels inspected and passed, granted pratique; 2 vessels admitted without inspection; 1 alien steerage passenger inspected and allowed to land, and 20 bills of health were issued vessels leaving this port.

February 17, part of the North Atlantic Squadron entered this harbor, consisting of the *Kearsarge*, *Alabama*, and *Massachusetts*. The flagship *Kearsarge* was boarded and certificate of Medical Inspector J. C. Boyd, fleet surgeon, taken as to the health of fleet. February 19, the *Buffalo* entered port, was boarded and passed. February 22, the *Machias* entered, was also boarded and passed. The tugboat *Potomac* also accompanies the fleet.

Casilda.—Acting Asst. Surg. A. Cantero reports 7 deaths in the city of Trinidad. No contagious diseases reported in that vicinity. Health of port excellent. Ten vessels inspected and passed, granted pratique; 10 bills of health issued vessels leaving that port, and no alien steerage passengers landed at that port.

Santa Cruz del Sur.—Acting Asst. Surg. P. M. Quevedo reports 1 death at that port for the week ended February 15. Reports 2 cases of chicken pox in the vicinity. Measures have been taken to prevent a spread of the disease. Six vessels inspected and passed, granted pratique;

4 bills of health issued vessels leaving that port, and no alien steerage passengers landed at that port.

Respectfully,

FELIX GIRALT,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Inspection of immigrants at Cienfuegos during the week ended February 22, 1902.

CIENFUEGOS, CUBA, *February 24, 1902.*

SIR: I herewith submit report of alien steerage passengers at this port during the week ended February 22, 1902. February 22, steamship *Madrileño*, from Liverpool and Spanish ports, with 1 immigrant.

Respectfully,

FELIX GIRALT,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Reports from Havana and Batabano.

HAVANA, CUBA, *February 27, 1902.*

SIR: I have the honor to inclose you herewith report of transactions of this station for week ended February 22, 1902, also mortuary statistics for the same period.

Batabano.—Acting Asst. Surg. Jose M. Campos reports having inspected 6 vessels on arrival and issued 7 bills of health during the week.

Respectfully,

A. H. GLENNAN,
Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.,
Chief Quarantine Officer for the Island of Cuba.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

[Inclosure.]

Summary of transactions at Havana for the week ended February 25, 1902.

PASSENGER DEPARTMENT.

Number of passengers inspected.....	124
Number of passengers vaccinated.....	4
Total	128

OUTDOOR DEPARTMENT.

Crews of incoming vessels inspected	1,241
Crews of outgoing vessels inspected.....	872
Number of passengers of incoming vessels inspected.....	443
Number of passengers of outgoing vessels inspected.....	807
Total	3,363
Number of immigrants inspected and passed.....	99
Number of immigrants recommended for further investigation	6
Total	105
Number of vaccination certificates issued.....	3